

Task Title: Cooking Procedures

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Goal Path:	Employment		Apprenticeship	
Secondary School	Post Secondary		Independence	

Task Description:

The learner will read and follow written instructions to perform tasks related to cooking safely in the workplace.

Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:

- Find and Use Information/Read continuous text/A1.2
- Understand and Use Numbers/Use Measures/C3.2

Materials Required:

- Pen/pencil and paper
- Calculators are optional

Learner Information

Cooks use procedures and recipes in the workplace to maintain consistent and safe practices in the workplace.

Scan the **Procedural Instructions for Cooking Seafood.**

Procedural Instructions for Cooking Seafood

Step 1: Preparing the Seafood

- 1. Wash hands and sanitize work surfaces.
- 2. Check seafood for freshness (look for clear eyes, firm flesh, and a fresh ocean smell).
- 3. If using frozen seafood, thaw it in the refrigerator overnight or under cold running water.
- 4. Pat the seafood dry with a paper towel to remove excess moisture.

Step 2: Seasoning the Seafood

- 1. Lightly coat seafood with oil or melted butter.
- 2. Season with salt, pepper, and any required spices or marinades.
- 3. Let the seafood sit for 5 minutes to absorb the flavours.

Step 3: Cooking Methods

Grilling

- 1. Preheat the grill to medium-high heat (200°C / 400°F).
- 2. Oil the grill grates to prevent sticking.
- 3. Place fish, skin-side down or shellfish directly on the grill.
- 4. Cook for 3–5 minutes per side, depending on thickness.

Pan-Frying

- 1. Heat 1 tbsp of oil in a skillet over medium heat.
- 2. Place seafood in the pan and cook until golden brown.
- 3. Flip and cook the other side for the same amount of time.

Steaming

- 1. Fill a pot with 2 inches of water and bring it to a boil.
- 2. Place seafood in a steamer basket above the boiling water.
- 3. Cover and steam for 6–10 minutes, depending on the type of seafood.

Step 4: Checking Doneness

- 1. Fish is fully cooked when it reaches an internal temperature of 63°C (145°F).
- 2. Shrimp and scallops should be opaque and firm.
- 3. Shellfish (like mussels and clams) should have opened shells. Discard any that remain closed.

Step 5: Serving the Seafood

- 1. Remove seafood from heat and let it rest for 2 minutes.
- 2. Serve with lemon wedges, sauces, or sides as required.
- 3. Garnish with fresh herbs or seasonings as per the recipe.
- 4. Ensure plates are wiped clean for professional presentation.

Work Sheet

Task 1:	List the correct ways to thaw seafood safely.
Answer:	
Task 2:	What should you look for to know that shrimp is fully cooked?
Answer:	
Task 3:	What temperature is medium-high heat?
Answer	
Task 4:	When using the steaming method, how is the seafood placed?
Answer:	
Task 5:	What is the internal temperature of fish when it is fully cooked?
Answer:	

Task 6:	A recipe calls for 1 tbsp of oil per fillet. Calculate the total oil needed to pan fry 4 fillets.
Answer:	
Task 7:	The restaurant received 10 pounds of fresh cod, but the recipe measurements are in kilograms. Convert the 10 pounds to kilograms using this formula: 1 pound = 0.45 kg.
Answer:	
Task 8:	A recipe calls for salmon to be baked at 375°F, but the oven uses Celsius. Convert the temperature to Celsius using this formula: $(°F - 32) \times 5/9 = °C$.
Answer:	